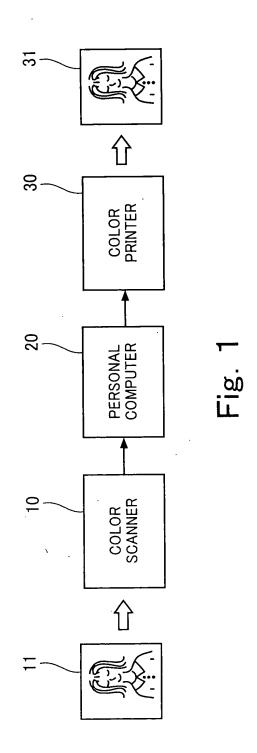
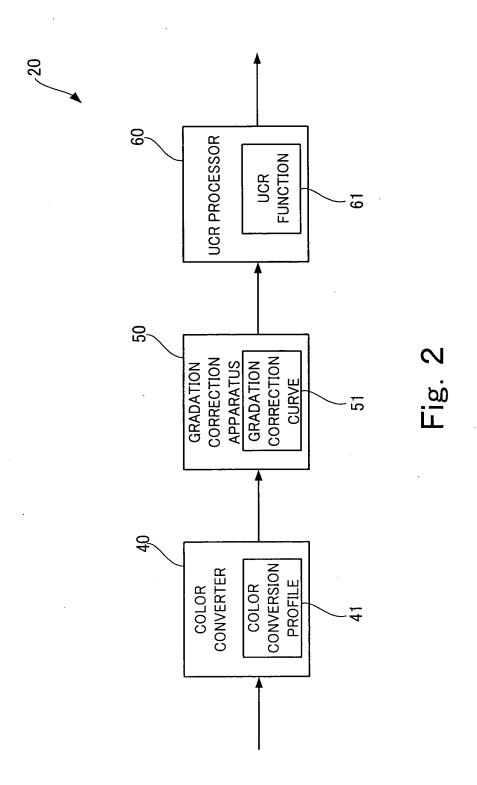
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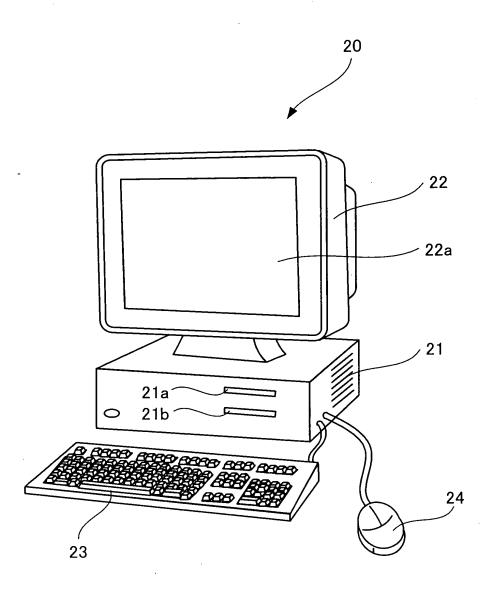


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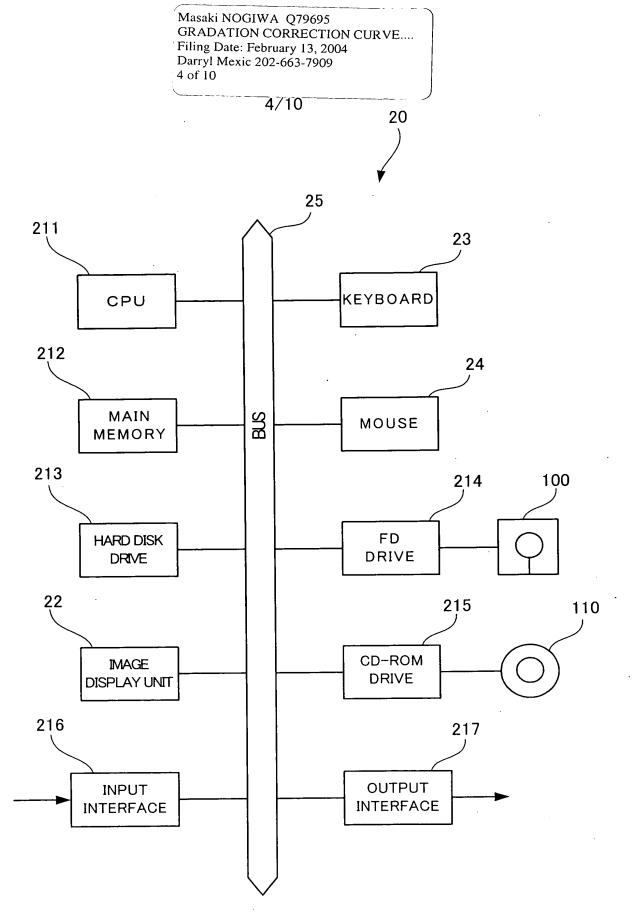


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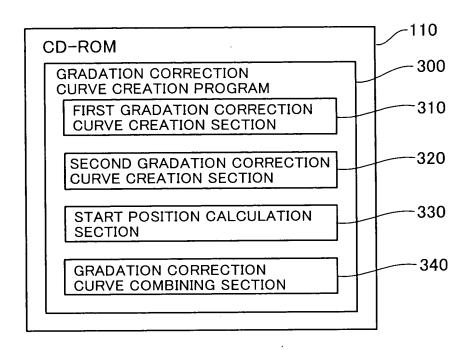
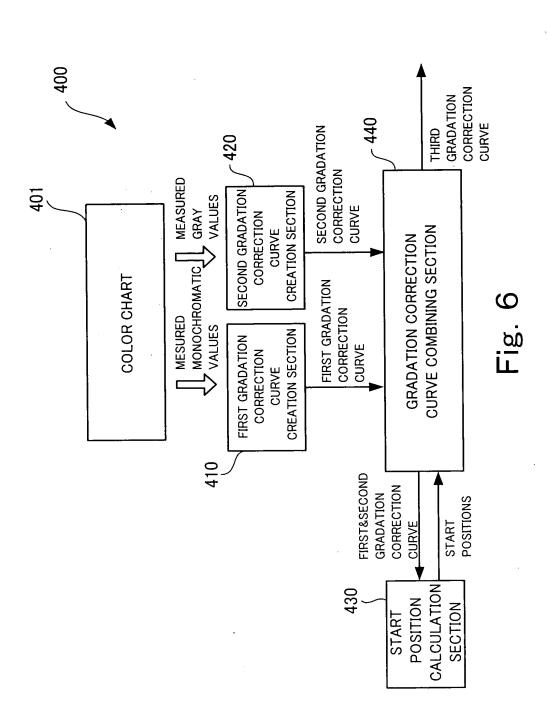


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START (S1) **OUTPUT PATCHES** MEASURE DENSITIES OF MONOCHROMATIC (S2) **PATCHES** AQUIRE MEASURED **VALUES OF GRAY** (S3) **PATCHES** CREATE FIRST (S4) **GRADATION CORRECTION CURVE** CREATE SECOND **GRADATION** (S5) **CORRECTION CURVE** CALCULATE START (S6) **POSITIONS** CREATE THIRD (S7)**GRADATION** CORRECTION CURVE

Fig. 7

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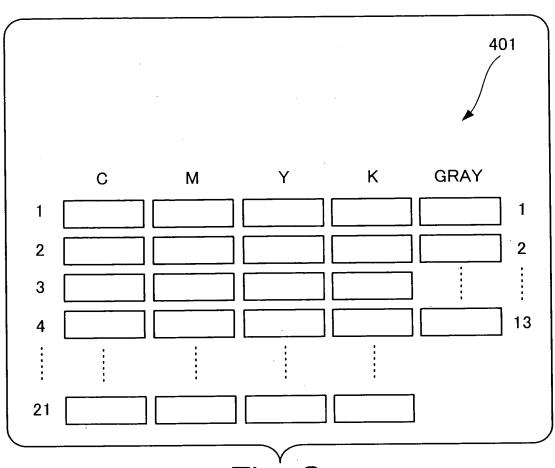
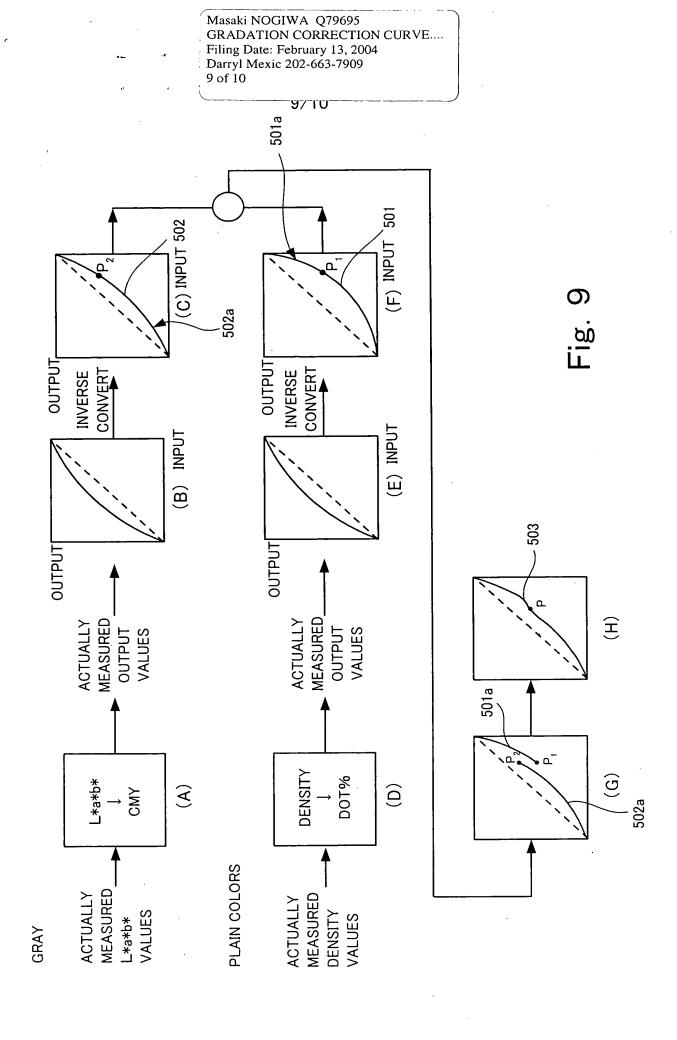
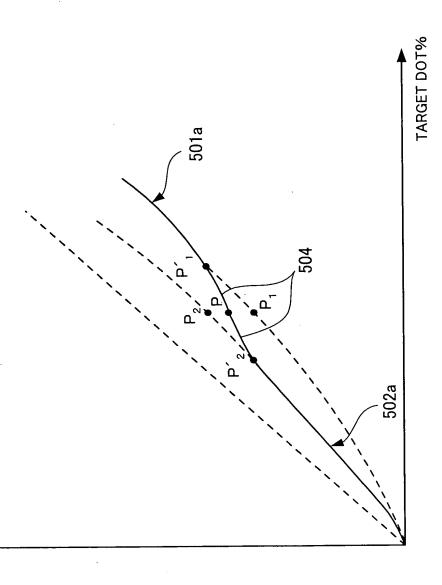


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